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Surely the suggestions of the British press are wrong in their conclusion that the torpedoing of the Hesperian indicates that Germany's communication to the United States that she would cease submarining passenger ships without warning is merely an-"scrap of paper." will assuredly be forthcoming.

about the outcome of President Wilson's diplomatic dealings with Germany in respect to her methods of submarine warfare. At that, though, Nebraskan probably hasn't reason to say much on the sub-

Incidentally, the activities along the Rio Grande and other portions of the Mexican-United States border, doesn't savor much of the fact that the United States and Mexico are at peace and maintaining the most friendly of relations with each other. When is the U. S .- Mex. travesty to end?

Open style football is promised for Kansas this fall. This is good news for the football fans. They may be able to follow a few of the plays. In the fan could get out of the game. And most of the time he had no idea what he was cheering about.

Secretary Mohler of the Kansas department of agriculture states that this has been a good year in Kansas for county fairs, the interest in them as shown by the attendance being much greater than usual. And this is only contributory evidence that the Kansas farmers are up and doing and taking advantage of all their opportunities to improve their methods.

in office are the ones responsible for this extravagance and mismanage-

Topeka's great fair with its free best banking circles there is universal gate is now less than a week away, expectation of a good fall trade. Are you doing and going to do your Things in general appear to be on the part to make it the success that it mend. Trade and traffic are still bedeserves? It isn't too late, by any low normal, but the tide is rising. The means, to put in plenty of good boosts banking situation in the United States for the fair. Talk to your friends in was probably never sounder or more other parts about it, either by letter satisfactory than at the present moor in person in the event that you ment. The new banking system is make trips among them within the working smoothly; and the danger in next few days.

Paris was fought a full year ago and ing to a recent statement by the nothing much has been done by the Allies in the western arena of the war since then. Probably they had next power to expand loans fully \$3,000, spring in mind for the great drive the Germans with such success.

Not only is the Kansas hay yield of this year a wonder, but the price is also wonderfully low for Kansas, Still, prairie hay sold in Kansas twenty years ago for \$3 a ton. It is now bringing \$8.

SOLDIERS USING ARMOR.

arsenal with equipment and weapons by the placing of cotton on the conthe smallest surprise of the great many had previously been almost susstruggle that is changing the map of pended. The yield this year will untrue that one could paraphrase this there will be no difficulty in financing five hundred years." nothing becomes too obsolete for re- offer of the secretary of the treasury war is much older armor will play its commodation. So much has been part in no mean way in trench war- heard about the extraordinary in-German helmet, but not only has that imports that the demoralized conditecting troops from shrapnel fire but overlooked. The fact is the war the breast plate also has come to be seriously injured both cur exports and recognized as a most valuable piece of our imports; the harm done being equipment in trench defense. The overlooked because of the false glamor out.

hand grenade has become a much respected weapon in trench warfare. overwhelming munition orders pressed For months it has been in general use along the western front, each side be- real prosperity in the latter; and it is ing able to use grenades to the great a gruesome spectacle to see Europe discomfiture of the enemy without spending billions and billions for deexposing themselves.

SAFETY FOR ROOMING HOUSES. rather than following productive pur-Surely there is nothing unreason- suits. The greatest increases in exable in the plans of the state authorities to compel every rooming house in June 30, were in breadstuffs, horses Kansas to observe the provisions of and mules, meat products and autothe hotel law, and especially in the mobiles. The most important losses in Daily edition, delivered by carrier, 10 respect that they be safe places for suburbs, or at the same price in any Kansas town where the paper has a carrier rather unusual, though, if nonetheless more expensive character and in agricommendable, that there should be cultural implements. Turning to the this effort to lock a stable door before import side of the account, we find the horse gets away. Ordinarily no that nearly all the principal items show effort would have been made to make serious declines, especially in silk the rooming houses of the state safe manufactures, cotton manufactures, until a big fire had come along and linens, copper, precious stones, art smothered out the lives of many people living in one. RAIL TRAFFIC DECREASED.

The railroads of this country aggre- import traffic has not been generally gate more than 280,000 miles. They appreciated. Its effect upon customs are long enough to go more than revenue is important, and if continued eleven times around the globe. They will next winter force some new form go everywhere in the land; they come of taxation, and possibly a readjustin contact with every industrial estab- ment of the tariff. Under the cirishment, the products of which must cumstances, it would seem folly to cut be transported by them; and they are off the \$50,000,000 of sugar revenue, thus in position to respond immediate- which has always been easily collected ly and sympathetically to the condi- and slightly felt. The returns of fortions which surround the general eign trade for the next few months business of the country. But the will undoubtedly show much larger 'prosperity" of the "war bride" mar- exports. A good demand for our ket has not affected the railroad foodstuffs is practically certain, and situation in this country outside a few their outward movement will soon besections where "war orders" have gin. So, too, will the large shipments been concentrated. In the twelve of war munitions, which up to date months ending June 30. American have been more or less restricted. A railroads received gross revenue from very satisfactory element in our export operation amounting to \$2,893,873,- trade is a revival in the foreign defor the previous year and with an products to various parts of the world, average of \$2,997,053,399 for the five including South America, which had years 1911-15. Operating expenses temporarily withdrawn from the amounted to \$2,047,431,409, compar- European markets. It is to be hoped ing with \$2,278,082,641 for the pre- that imports will also recover sufvious wear; the ratio of expenses be- ficiently to prevent the exchange ing 70.8 per cent in 1915 and almost problem becoming still more serious. 72.9 per cent in 1914. Taxes amounted to \$134,611,256, compared with plicity on the part of Germany is un-believable, and an adequate explana-\$711,830,382 in 1913 and to \$705,015,tion of the sinking of the Hesperian 488 in 1914. The return on capital invested in the plant, estimating the cost at \$17,350,000,000, reached only 4.1 per cent in 1915, compared with 4.2 per cent in 1914 and 5.1 per cent in 1913. The railroads of the country as a whole operated last year at fully 10 per cent below this capacity. They carried their passengers at the rate of 2.002 cents per mile and for each ton of freight hauled they charged 7.37 mills per mile. Apparently every inducement to travel and to ship freight was offered to the public. Yet the passenger-miles of last year were more than two billions below the average for the past five years, and the number of ton-miles fell off five billions.

FUTURE WORLD POWERS.

Raymond Robbins of Chicago declares that the preeminent world powers of the future will be Russia, Japan and the United States. But Germany not a few football seasons of the past, has other plans in the premises. Still, cheering is about the only pleasure if peace in Europe does not come in the next two or three months, and the war drags on for another year or so, the eventual defeat of Germany seems inevitable. And in that event, England and France will probably have considerable to say as to Russia's sphere of influence for the future. England vet has her navy and the indications are that she intends to keep

BUSINESS ON THE MEND.

After stating in his current weekly Governor Capper points out that circles because of the outcome of the labor pays the bill for public extravagance and the mismanagement of
public affairs. But the politicians
between the United
States and Germany relative to the
latter's methods of submarine warlatter's methods of submarine warwho fool the people into putting them fare, Henry Clews, the New York banker, writes:

"Confidence in home business af-

fairs is everywhere gaining, and in the

this part of our economic machinery is more in the direction of over-ex-The Battle of the Marne that saved pansion than in contraction. According to a recent statement by the against some of the marriages that comptroller of the currency, the banks are pulled off." And then the Record of the United States have it in their 000,000. The present hervest equals that they were going to launch against and is even exceeding all expectations as to quantity. Wheat, corn and oats promise to surpass the earlier government estimates; and the only draw. back in the grain outlook is the reported injury to wheat from excessive moisture, also the certainty of a rush of wheat into European markets when the Dardanelles are opened, to take the place of liar. Wheat and oats will be record crops, and corn nearly so. The cotton outlook is, of course, unsatisfactory, The refurnishing of the military While the situation has been changed jaw bone of an ass to hurt some one.

that have been consigned to the scrap traband list, it will not materially afheap these hundreds of years is not fect exports since shipments to Gerthe world, writes Martin Marshall in doubtedly fall considerably below last Leslie's. We smile at the old saying year's crop, which will offset the loss "from shirt sleeves to shirt sleeves in of exports of about 3,000,000 bales to Shape. three generations," yet it is 'iterally Germany and Austria. Fortunately, pretty well. to read "from ballista to ballista in the crop. Our own financial abilities, Apparently as just shown, are unusual, and the Ballistas, catapults, hand to loan \$30,000,000 gold to the regrenades, armor, burning oil, all are serve banks for advances on cotton use again. Apparently before the assures the south ample financial ac-Last summer and fall critics on crease in our export trade and the the Allies' side were laughing at the phenomnal increase of exports over helment proved its great value in pro- tion of our foreign trade has been

created by big gold imports and the On the Spur upon us by the allies. There is no

struction, and ourselves also strenuously aiding this destruction ports during the fiscal year ending works, etc. The only increases of any importance in imports were in sugar, wool and rubber. These figures prove that the demoralization of our comparing with \$3,126,493,262 mand for legitimate export of steel

Journal Entries

The high-flier's fall is usually

hard one.

If politeness cost anything maybe more people would have it.

Most folks throw out feelers for about all the praise they get.

Almost every man has an idea he could do better in some line of work other than his own.

Probably if millinery were not so expensive, the women wouldn't give

expensive, the women wouldn't give it so much attention.

Jayhawker Jots

It's the opinion of the Elk County Citizen that the fellows who want war are too old to enlist. It is when wearing out last year's

suit, explains the Anthony Bulletin, that the styles look so odd. Pertinent war comment, by the Humboldt Union: The Turks are doing more fighting and less talking than any of 'em.

Great flocks of wild geese flew south last Friday evening and night (August 27), reports the Douglass Tribune, and it asks: Who ever before of wild geese going south in August?

There are lots of people in this country, says the Phillips County Post, who think it will be just as easy to settle troubles by arbitration before several million men are killed as it will be afterward

After stating in his current weekly financial review that a decided sense of relief has developed in financial circles because of the outcome of the er's farm where he'll undoubtedly get rich quicker, or richer, if he's already rich.

Told by the County Liner: "Does baby talk yet?" asked a friend of the family. "Naw," replied the little brother disgustedly. "He don't need to talk. All he has ter do is to yell and he gets everything in the house

Related by the Toronto Republican: Ore negro was complaining to another of his wife. "It's, money, money, money all de time. I'se gettin' mighty tired of it!" "What does she do wif so much money?" queried the other negro. "I dunno," replied the complainer; "I ain't done give her no money yet."

It is only reasonable that married women and single women should have differing viewpoints. The Colver Rec-ord quotes Mrs. Alvin Miller as say-There ought to be several laws quotes Edith Bernham as remarking: "Gee, it's hard enough now to get a man without making it worse.

Globe Sights BY THE ATCHISON GLOBE.

Neatness is the greatest discomfort to a slouch. There has never been a wood word

The boss is a leader if he chance to belong to your faction. A gossip is a person who uses the

On the other hand, there are cer-tain events the gossips fail to find out. Public opinion is also apt to over-estimate its wisdem from time to time. Neither is anyone as wise as the gent the information bureau tries to ence

The rule is that, if she has Some

Do you talk for the good of the or-der, or do something for the good of the order? The devil is getting old, but a lot

of young devils are on the streets of almost every town. When Jude Johnson dies many people will think that his rest has been

broken, and not begun. A man may think a good deal while

entertaining a busthead, but his thoughts aren't for publication.

A billious pessimist arises to remark that it's a wender there aren't more suicides in the cold gray dawn. Among the other rare specimens may be listed the politician who re-signs except to keep from being kicked

of the Moment

Fix the furnace,
Buy a ton;
Winter's coming
On the run.
Mend the heavies,
Right away;
You may need 'em
Any day.
Can the Paim Beach,
Stuff the straw;
Hurry with the
Buckwheats, maw,
Maybe, if we
All prepare,
Weather will
Continue fair.
Seems to be the
One best bet.
What we look for
We don't get. Yea. Bo.

An Expensive Night.

Mr. Piety Hill entered the sleeping room safely with his shoes in his hand and prepared to undress in the dark, but his elaborate precaution was all in vain. A voice from the

What time is it?" "Well-er," faltered Mr. Piety Hill as he pulled the little brass dudangle on the chandelier, which flooded the room with light and disclosed a

wide-awake wife, "well-er—I think it must be about midnight."

Just then the city hall clock bell rang once, and then it rang again, and, after pausing for a heart-breaking period, it struck a third time.

Then it stopped. There is nothing ing period, it at Then it stopped. Then it stopped. There is nothing more pestiferous than a town clock. It is always butting in at the unpsy-chological moment and spoiling a good

"Twelve o'clock—nothing," snap-ped Mrs. Piety Hill. "It's 3 o'clock That's what it is. Where have you

"Well, you see, m' dear—
"I know," she broke in impatiently,
"you have been trifling with the
"you have been trifling with the
"Nat," Katie said to him one Satur"Nat," Katie said to him one Saturabout this neighborhood.' You guess right, my dear-for

'I'm always right."

"Yes, m' dear."
"Well, out with it. How much did you lose?"

A fiendish and diabolical scheme flashed across the rather bewildered brain of Mr. Piety Hill. He would lie to his wife. Bracing himself perceptibly and assuming a jocular tone murmured carelessly "Oh, I didn't lose. I won—I won \$42." He said \$42, for that was the exact amount that he had lost and he was

They've barred the shirtwaist peek-a-boo, They will not stand the low-necked gown, In fact, they'll have a spotless town.

Something New in Golf.

Never thought golf would be improved on much, but you can never tell. See that a chicago golfer recently invented a club which has arrangements whereby a golfer can pull or slice at will, and if he hits a straight ball a little electric bulb that he knows how to hold his club properly. It requires little imagination to conceive that it will not be long before a cigar cutter will be attached to the handle of each club, or a flask inserted in the handle for a cooling draught somewhere out on the hot course. Perhaps—and this would be useful indeed—a scheme can be thought of whereby an umbrella could be attached to the club be attached to the club relieved. "Well, then," said Katle, somewhat the last that he had noticed a rather copious correspondence bearing Spanish stamps and postmarks that had been coming into the office for the past six weeks. He had thought nothing about it, but would be useful indeed—a scheme can be thought of whereby an umbrella could be attached to the club relieved. "I might as well tell you all lights up. There are attachments so brella could be attached to the club handle so that on rainy days the club would serve two purposes. Endless father had a cousin, Dolorita, a very

Evening Chat BY RUTH CAMERON.

Want to and Ought.

little girls hates to go to bed. She my Adolpho's father." is always begging to be allowed to They had now reached the McGuire sit up just half an hour longer or house and were sitting on the steps read just one more chapter.

As she is not very strong and needs her sleep, the inevitable result of just had one letter from him, with his yielding to her pleadings is that she picture. All the rest of the correspondence has been between his lawis sleepy in the morning and hates

at her home when she came yawning down to breakfast. "You remember you wanted to sit up last night," her mother reminded her.

then hating to get up in the morning his mother and father died, when I should?"

' she said. But why?" persisted the little girl.

And I wondered, too. It is a funny world, isn't it, where we want to do so many things we shouldn't and have ourselves to do the things

Why shouldn't patience and self-control come naturally and temper and irritability be natural? Why shouldn't it be easy to be gen-

erous and hard to be selfish? Agnes Repplier quotes a Boston father is to have enough to real an as saying that everything he an as saying that everything he iffe."

"But what did you say about your "But what did you say about your father" wanted to do proved to be either un-healthy, immoral or too expensive. Most of us have had similar experi-

ideals of conduct at all there has been this conflict between what one wants to do and what one ought.

Of course you remember St. Paul's wistful ery, "For the good I would I do not; but the evil which I would not that I do." I'm glad St. Paul said that, because it bridges the chasm in time and character between him and me, and makes all the rest of his words and his life more real.
Of course if we wanted to do the things we ought to do, that would eliminate the elements of conflict and character building from life. Would we really like that better?

Who can say? Maybe heaven is as a friend of mine likes to fancy, just a place where we want to do what we should. Perhaps we would get tired of it. But no, that would be something we ought not to do, so how could we?

I wooed her in the wintertime.

And won her, so I thought, forever;
She vowed that she was fond of rhyme,
And doted on my least endeavor.
Her eyes were of cerulean hue;
She had a merry way of mocking.

And though she loved to dress in blue,
She was not a "bluestocking"! A MITTEN

Sometimes before the sea-coal fire Close side by side our toes we toasted; Sometimes we braved the north wind's ire And skated gleefully or coasted. And once, when raged the bitter storm, And she by cruei cold was smitten, To keep her little fingers warm I gave the maid a mitten.

She treasured it, or so I deemed.
Through days inviolate and vernal;
And still within her glance there gleams.
A tender light that seemed eternal.
And so love's tide flowed on and on,
What time the year was at its Juning.
And ever in my slumbers shone
Fond dreams of honeymooning.

But, lo! this morning in the mail
I found a wedding invitation,
Announcing (ah, the woeful tale!)
That she had caught a rich relation.
And with the word (alack a-day!)
There was a brief note neatly written,
The maiden had but this to say:
"I send you back your mitten!"
—Clinton Scollard in Judge.

The Evening Story

Don Adolpho.

(By Jane Osborn.) Nathaniel Ewing was the junior eartner in the furniture company of McGuire & Ewing, and, as such things usually go, every one expected that he would some day marry Katle, Barry McGuire's pretty daughter. It was as plain as day that Nat was head over heels in love with Katie. The florist and the confectioner could have told you that he sent roses and bon-bons to Katie almost every week, and no girl in her right mind, people said, could have refused Nat. So the mat-

pasteboard again with your pet ag-gregation of bandits and night-prowling husbands gathered from home from the country club, where they had had their round of tennis. "Nat, I think you had better not send me the flowers and the candy any more—people are beginning to talk."
"Well, what if they are?" Nat was
perfectly cheerful It had never really occurred to him that there could be any serious obstacle in the way of

winning Katle's hand. "Well"—Katle fum "Well"—Katie fumbled with the strings of her racquet—"it might put

me in a difficult position. I might be criticised, you know." Nat showed his complete surprise and Katie went on to explain

amount that he had lost and he was not an expert or a ready liar.

"That's very good. You hand it over to me. It's just what I want for my new hat." And he did.

"Eighty-four dollars gone tonight," he thought as he rolled into bed. "But I shan't ever let you marry any one but me."

"Let me!" cried Kate, her cheeks coloring. "How dare you talk of letting me? You have never even mentioned marrying me before, and now you talk as if it was all settled. I shall marry just whomsoever I choose, so there!

"Any one in mind?" asked Nat, suddenly tacking in a new direction.
"What do you know about it?" exclaimed Katie . "Did father tell you? Did you read the letters?"

This was a valuable clew given in spite of herself, and Nat went on cautiously.

"Of course, I see the letters that come into the office—just the outside of them, and-"Then you saw those Spanish let-

ters?

beautiful girl, they say, and before father left Ireland for the United into a convent in Dublin, but now it's all been cleared up. She really ran away to Paris, where she taught as a governess in some nobleman's family, and there it was that she met the I have a little friend who like most Spanish gentleman who married her-

"That is what I call him. I have

yer and my father. And we expect he'll be here within a month, just as The other morning I happened to be soon as father sends the check is to have the front room on the third floor, all done over in mission. That is, until we are married for I am quite sure it will end that way, and half petulantly, half wistfully, "Oh, mother, why can't I want to go to bed at night and want to get up in the morning instead of wanting to sit up at night when I shouldn't and then hating to get up in the morning his mother and father aled. Addition "I know it." she admitted, and then the lawyer even hinted at it in father's half petulantly, half wistfully, "Oh, letter. In Spain they do things that hen I should?"

Was the only child and his father's
Her mother laughed. "Well, the family was all dead. Of course, doesn't seem to be made that Adolpho thought he would have the entire fortune at once, but when they came to read the will they found the statement that he would not come into the property until he was twentyand he is only twenty-three now ward of his nearest male kin, who is Why can't we long to study and to receive a third of the property as soon as Adolpho is twenty-five.

"The lawyer traced it all out and found that father was his only male kin, and so Adolpho is to come to live with us and if I marry him I am to share in his quarter of a million and

Adolpho not coming till your father had sent the check?" was Nat's only

Well," explained Katie, "Adolpho hasn't come into his money yet, and about all he had left he has spent on lawyers' fees. Now he wants father to advance enough for him to come over to America with. Isn't it thrill-ing? And Adolpho is so good looking —so foreign and distinguished." —so foreign and distinguished."
"I wish you joy," was Nat's sullen comment, as he sauntered down the street toward his boarding house, leaving Katie to her castles in Spain.

doll house built here. It would cost too much."

Mother laid down her work and looked at Mary Jane.

It was three weeks later, and, according to schedule. Adolpho was on the ocean and would soon be at the house of McGuire. Barry McGuire had sent the \$200 to pay expenses, in gold, according to direction, the day of Katie's talk with Nat.

Katie had been living in a high state of excitement, and Nat, for some reason, had been going about his work with an air of mild content.

"Your Adolpho will soon be here," he said to her one night, after an "All right, then, dear," said mother, ingram Judson.)

doll house built here. It would cost twig about a foot high at each corner of each room to be, and a lower twig of each room to be, and a lower twig of each room to be, and a lower twig of each room to be, and a lower twig of each door. Then make long chains of your clovers. Stretch the clover chains from stick to move in to."

Mary Jane got out of the hammock and sat on the steps near her mother. "I know very well from the way you want a foot high at each corner of each room to be, and a lower twig of each door. Then make long chains of your clovers. Stretch the clover chains from stick to stick and your house in to make long chains of to stick and your house in to."

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evening business talk with her father.
"That Dago cousin of yours is certainly lucky."
"He isn't a Dago," protested Katie.
"Spaniards aren't Dagos at all. Anyway, I am not so sure I am going to like him right away. I wish you way, I am not so sure I am going to like him right away. I wish you wouldn't tease me so, Nat." For a moment tears beamed in Katie's pretty blue eyes: "You used to be such a good friend, and lately you seem different."

Mr. McGuire laughed. "Perhaps Nat is a little jealous," he joked. "Perhaps he wishes the Spanish cousin in Halifax. But we shall see, we shall see."

Nat had been opening a newspaper

clipping that he had carefully folded in his pocket. It was from one of the New York papers, and he spread it out before his partner.

"Maybe this will interest you," he said, pointing to the headlines: "Skillful Spanish Intrigue Exposed. Gang of Crooks Work Bunco to Easy Marks All Over the Country. May Be Scores of Victims."

Mr. McGuire and Katiereadthrough

Mr. McGuire and Katie read through the article quickly.
"Oh, well," said Katle, tossing her pretty head after a minute's reflec-"I don't know as I would have cared to marry a Spaniard, anyhow."

And Nat, responding to the cue, took one of Katie's hands appreciatively in his.

But Mr. McGuire sat with his head buried in his hands.
"I don't care so much about the Spanish cousin," he said. "It isn't that, but what a fool I've been. What of my \$200—now when business is dull, too?"

"Oh that's where I have a little

"Oh, that's where I have a little confession to make," said Nat, now taking both of Katie's hands. "Maybe it was because I was jealous and maybe it was because I suspected maybe it was because I suspected something crooked in this deal. But when you asked me to have the gold sent from the bank I took the gold instead and put it into the office safe. I thought it would do you more good there than in the pocket of some unknown Spanish cousin."—(Capperight known Spanish cousin."-(Copyright 1915, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

QUAKER MEDITATIONS.

[From the Philadelphia Record.] When a young man is too fresh he hould be taken with a grain of salt. Even the theatrical manager hesiates to spend all his money to make a show.

ture of the reputation from slipping up on the truth. The laborer is worthy of his hire.

In order to walk with an elastic step it isn't absolutely necessary to wear rubber heels.

casionally follow the hounds."
"Shake!" exclaimed the coarse person in the red necktie. "I used to be a dog-catcher myself."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

[From the Chicago News.] Speak your mind if you must, but

When a man refers to a meat mar-

shops. ut what's the use

Many a man gets credit for being Constitution. well informed just because people happen to ask him questions that he can "I underst

Kansas Comment

CUT OUT THE BOOZE.

Over each gateway of the Illinois
Steel Company's plant is a glittering
electric sign reading as follows, to
the vas numbers of employees on the
night shift? "Did booze ever do you
any good? Did booze ever get you a
better job? Did booze ever get you a night shift? "Did booze ever do you any good? Did booze ever get you a better job? Did booze every contribute anything to the happiness of your family?" The company has also sent milk vendors through the plant as first aid to thirsty men in the effort to take John Barleycorn off the payroll, and thus promote the efficiency of the workers and minimize acci-dents.—Limporia Gazette.

WHY SO COOL.

One of the causes, and no doubt the chief cause, of the extraordinary cool weather of the passing summer is the evaporation resulting from the frequent rains. Evaporation reduces heat. Artificial ice is frozen by artificial means of producing very rapid evaporation. Sprinkled streets and yards in seasons of excessive heat reduce the temperature by causing evaporation. The hot winds that blow up from the south in very hot seasons are but the air from off dry plains on which there was no moisture for evaporation that would have tempered the air. And the general rains of this season have provided moisture for continued evaporation, and the summer has been unusually cool. The time will come when the United States government will provide for a general system of conservation of the water that falls upon the western plains, by storing it in numerous ponds and lakes. With such provision evaporation from these ponds and lakes will prevent such hot winds as visit this region on very dry years.—Douglass Tribune.

From Other Pens

SOME BIG PENSION BILLS.

The closing of the European war will witness the beginning of the payment of the biggest pension bills in the history of the world. Millions of injured and disabled soldiers with their productive powers curtailed, if the collegether eliminated will be a not altogether eliminated, will be a drain upon their nations in a double While producing less, they will cost their countries more, permanently disabled through w Even the comedian doesn't work for and sickness must be provided for from the government treasury. This is an item of expense which will comrubber heels.

Moving in circles isn't the way to get ahead, even though you may move in the best circles.

No Movide deeps there is a first of expense which was the pare with the interest on their overgrown national debts. The Berlin Vorwaerts, organ of the German socialists, asserts that "after the war No, Maude, dear: there is no similarity between accepting gilt edge security and buying a gold brick. curity and buying a gold brick.

Many a man who can't see his own faults deludes himself with the idea that all the world is equally blind.

Mr. Buggins—"I like Bjones; he's such a bluff old chap." Mrs. Buggins
—"And I like Mrs. Bjones; she can call his bluff."

Charity gots to be a habit. Give a be taken as a fair example of the con-Charity gets to be a habit. Give a betaken as a fair example of the con-beggar a piece of home made pie to-day, and he'll be back tomorrow for a other powers engaged in the war will pepsin tablet.

Wigg—"Do you believe marriages are made in heaven?" Wagg—"Oh, I don't know; most of them seem to be engineered by the girl's mother."

"Yes." said the society youth who had just joined a hunt club, "I occasionally follow the hounds."
"Shake!" exclaimed the coarse person pensions demanding all available in-come, not to speak of the necessity for ordinary maintenance, the sink-tically impossible to see where sink-ing funds are coming from to begin the process of extinguishment. We have sometimes felt that American pension bills of \$150,000,000 annually He is a sensible man who doesn't tion of the first class engaged in the present conflict but will probably be called upon to pay several times that When a man releas to a little with the second of the European breaking hearts; wise girls run repair nations, grown out of this war, the more bewildering and impossible of father left Ireland for the United States this cousin disappeared. They thought at the time that she had gone tract the attention of a grass wildow. Improve the left in the solution of a grass wildow. Improve the left in t will secape bankruptcy.-Atlanta

"I understand, Mrs. Nurich, your answer.

When a man marries he cuts out toga." "Oh, no. He said he'd be satthe solo and takes part in a duct—and for two or three days thereafter he sized bass while he's away."—Buffalo thinks his life is one grand sweet song. Express.



MARY JANE'S DOLL HOUSE.

and sighed again—mournfully.

Mother was sitting on the porch darning stockings and she heard and was surprised at such a wish from her pleasant-tempered little girl. "A real, real, real rich little girl." repeated Mary Jane and she swayed the hammock with her left foo

"Yes?" said mother as she picked up another stocking, "and what would do then?" Mary Jane sat up straight. you really want to know, mother?" she asked.

"To be sure I do," replied mother.
"Maybe I'd like to be rich, too." Mary Jane opened her eyes wide. She hadn't thought of that; maybe mother would like to have everything, too! "I want to be rich so I can have a doll house," said Mary Jane: "a house right out in this front yard." "How foolish to wait till you rich for that," laughed mother. "I wouldn't. I would have one today. You may never be rich and it's a pity to do without a doll house if you want

Mary Jane looked puzzled. "But other,' she said, "doll houses cost mother,' she said. money; and you know I can't have a out your rooms with twigs put a doll house built here. It would cost twig about a foot high at each corner

"Oh, dear, I wish I was a rich little | "I'll tell you how to make one. Pick girl," sighed Mary Jane, "a real rich little girl, so that I could have everything on earth that I wanted."

She turned over in the hammock tersoaked. Then pick out the spot where the doll house is to be.



Stretch the clover chains from stick